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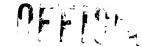
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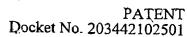
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Enclosed is the Response to Office Action dated March 16, 1999.



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### AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Box AF Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in reply to the Final Office Action dated March 16, 1999, for which a response is due on June 16, 1999. This Action has been made Final and Applicant is responding within two months of the mailing date of the Final Office Action. Accordingly, expedited processing of this reply is respectfully requested.

#### I. AMENDMENTS

Please cancel claims 49 and 57, without prejudice or disclaimer.

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